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		35.	Dr. Sudhir Kumar Soni.
		36.	Sh. Surat Singh Yadav.
		37.	Sh. Tinkle Bindra.
		38.	Sh. Tejwant Singh.
		39.	Sh. Thakur Jagbir Singh.
		40.	Sh. Vinod Dukhiya.
		41.	Sh. Vinod Singhal.
		42.	Sh. Zia-ul-Haq Soz.
		43.	Sh. G.C. Bansal.
		44.	Sh. Nand Kishore Yadav.

Statement-II

Recommendation of Telephone Advisory Committee and action taken

RECOMMENDASIONS	*ACTION TAKEN*
1. PCO's should be installed on priority in pockets with concentration of population, busy market & other important public places, libraries, dispensaries, J.J. Colonies and rural areas.	POC's are being provided in these areas on priority. However, currently there is an acute shortage of supply of CCB type public telephone instruments.
2. P.C.O's should be given to handicapped persons in more numbers, so that help could be given to them to earn better living.	ECO's to handicapped persons are provided liberally subject to availability of suitable locations.
3. Directory should be printed in two volumes.	English and Hindi telephone directory of 1983 have been printed in two volumes each.
4. The physical execution of work for provision of regular & temporary connection, should be expedited at field level after issue of OB's.	The monitoring of execution of orders for provision of regular and temporary connections is proposed to be computerised.

Pending Applications for LPG Connections

4490. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI T.R. BALU:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many applications are pending in Tamil Nadu district wise for LPG connections as on date ;

(b) how many such applications are pending for more than two years, district-wise;

(c) how many LPG connections were sanctioned in each district, year-wise during the last three years; and

(d) what are the expansion plans for LPG net-work in Tamil Nadu in the near future ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c) the rquired information is given in the enclosed annexure [*See* Appendix CXLVII, Annexure. 149].

(d) New LPG connections are being released by the oil industry all over the country, including in Tamil Nadu, in a phased manner under its annual programme for enrolment of customers, subject to augmentation in availability of LPG, through its expanding distributorship network.

Profits eanred by Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited on Wrong Numbers

4491. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any survey as to the indirect profits (through wrong numbers and registering of complaints) Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited earns due to fault rate of 20 per cent prevailing in Delhi;

(b) what is the amount earned by Government through registered and unregistered *i.e.* repeated complaints on 198 (which is metered now) during the last four months; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to reduce this illegal and unethical profit being earned by the Mahanager Telephone Nigam Limited?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BIR, BAHADUR SINGH): (a) No, Sir. However it is not correct to assume that every fault results in wrong numbers.

The percentage of incidence of wrong calls is very small in the system. The wrong calls can be due to:

(i) wrong and improper dailing by subscribers; and

(ii) a few system faults.

The tariff structure does take into account the normal incidence of such faults.

(b) The fault repair service (198) is not metered and therefore, calls to this service are not charged.

(c) Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) & (b) above.

Thermal Units under the Administrative Control of NTPC

4492 SHRI V.GOPALSAMY : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of thermal units under the National Thermal Power Corporation;

(b) what is the installed capacity of each unit and their respective past performance;

(c) how many more units are under construction and what will be their installed capacity;

(d) how much funds have been allotted for each of these new projects during the current year and